

In this essay I am going to be writing in support of killing cane toads. I have studied many articles which has lead me to my conclusion that these creatures are daring devils. I will also take in other opinions and consider them in my argument about supporting these creatures. Although people may like them, I have decided that my main viewpoint is against these pests.

From my analysis into observing cane toad revelation compositions, it is obvious that these vile critters are demolishing the native species of Australia. For them to be repaired they must be exterminated. Even though this may sound unfortunate, some animals need to become extinct and it is essential that these feared foes must die!

Cane toads are, "... toxic pests..." (Mercer 2006) which are smothered with poisonous warts, glands and skin. They were transported into Australia in 1935 to keep down the population of cane beetles and to protect cane sugar plantations. Unfortunately, this scheme did not go as they hoped as the cane toad colony expanded rapidly.

Why do they need to be eradicated? Firstly the toads are hard to kill because, "... There are no natural predators which can kill them off." (BBC News 2012) In addition to this they pose a problem to animals which try to kill them. Pearlman (2012) states that those animals which "try are, killed by the cane toads poison." People think they need "... to kill as many of the introduced pests..." Also people like to "... bash them with sticks, put them in the freezer, or suffocate them."

It was very hard to find much information supporting the cane toads to stay so really it is clear that it is necessary. However the RSPCA recommend a more humane way of killing them like 'putting them in the freezer or paralyse them with haemorrhoid cream.' On the other hand Federal MP Dave Tollner says "... hit them with cricket bats..." (Phil Mercer 2006)

It was apparent, from the pure difficulty of finding information to support not killing cane toads that it is obvious that they need to be killed.

BBC News (2012), "Australian volunteers take part in cane toad cull," BBC News website, (07/04/13)

Phil Mercer (2006) 'Australians hunt down toxic toads' BBC News, Darwin (18/03/2006)

Sara Phillips (2011) 'The people who spare the cane toad' ABC Environment (17/01/2011)